

SOUTH BOUND BROOK BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 19, 2008

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:08 p.m. in room 140 of Robert Morris School, by vice president Peter Allen, with the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by this opening statement:

STATEMENT RE: SUNSHINE LAW

This meeting has been advertised in two newspapers at least 48 hours prior to the meeting and has been posted in conspicuous locations including the borough hall and school buildings, which complies with state law governing meetings of school boards and other organizations.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mr. Allen, Mr. Ambrose, Mrs. Esposito, Mrs. Lih-Thiessen. Mrs. Santora arrived at 7:10 p.m.

ABSENT: Mrs. Bolmer and Mrs. Sarboukh

Also present were Dr. Carol L. Rosevear, Superintendent; Mrs. Patricia Leonhardt, Business Administrator/Board Secretary; Mayor Terry Warrelman and Council Representative Chris Shoffner.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND ADDENDUM

Motion presented to approve the agenda and addendum as distributed to board members.

MOTION: Mrs. Lih-Thiessen SECOND: Mrs. Esposito VOTE: 4-0

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – March 5, 2008 and March 6, 2008

Motion to approve minutes of March 5, 2008 Special Meeting and March 6, 2008 Regular Meeting.

MOTION: Mrs. Esposito SECOND: Mrs. Lih-Thiessen VOTE: 3-0-1*

*Mr. Allen abstained, as he was absent from the March 5 meeting.

NOTE: Mrs. Santora arrived at 7:10 and acted on all remaining business of the meeting.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

- Dr. Rosevear and Mrs. Leonhardt presented the 2008-2009 budget, including answering questions from members of the audience.
- Dr. Rosevear reported on the success of last evening's Science Fair. A note of thanks for the PTA's contribution will be sent on behalf of the board.
- Monday night the preschool held the last of their three Family Arts nights, assisted by Rutgers University. This was a wonderful activity.
- Also distributed were the district's goals and objectives, as well as the evaluation form for the superintendent.
- Last Thursday's Cup Stacking Tournament was very impressive and enjoyed by all.

RECOGNITION OF PUBLIC

No comments at this time.

CONSENT ITEMS (completed)

- a. APPROVAL OF PAYROLLS AND PAYMENT OF BILLS
Motion to approve payment of bills per warrant listing dated March 19, 2008 in the amount of \$412,641.67 as well as payrolls for February 2008 in the amount of \$385,403.99.
- b. BOARD SECRETARY'S REPORT
Motion to approve Board Secretary's Report dated February 29, 2008, Indicating a cash balance of \$1,196,535.27
- c. TREASURER'S (CONSULTANT) REPORT
Motion to approve Treasurer's Report dated February 29, 2008, indicating a cash balance of \$1,196,535.27

Motion to accept above Consent Items, a-c.

MOTION: Mr. Ambrose

SECOND: Mrs. Santora

VOTE: 5-0

CORRESPONDENCE

- a. Letter to Pomptonian from Pat Leonhardt expressing appreciation for the dedication of Maria Candela.
- b. Request from Mrs. Beltz for permission for her son to finish the school year at Robert Morris School. The family will be moving out of town in May.

ACTION ITEMS

- a. MOTION FOR APPROVAL TO ATTEND WORKSHOPS
Motion to approve the attendance of the following to attend workshops and to receive reimbursement for incurred expenses:

J. Kries	4/16	\$160	Podcasting/Digital Storytelling, Somerset
L. Butynes	4/4	\$0	Millburn MS Open House
M. Drury	4/4	\$0	Millburn MS Open House
T. High	4/4	\$0	Millburn MS Open House
N. Murphy	4/14	\$125	Social Work Multitasking, E. Windsor
A. Shearer	4/16	\$0	Self-Assessment Tech Asst, Dayton
L. Ackerman	4/16	\$0	Self-Assessment Tech Asst, Dayton
T. High	4/16	\$0	Self-Assessment Tech Asst, Dayton
W. Stein	4/16	\$0	Self-Assessment Tech Asst, Dayton
T. High	4/10	\$75	Job Fair College of NJ
W. Stein	4/10	\$75	Job Fair College of NJ
P. Leonhardt	4/4	\$0	ERIC North Training, MCESC
B. Coddington	4/1	\$0	Good Readers, Somerset
L. Lidon	4/4	\$195	Reading Conference

- b. MOTION TO AUTHORIZE BEDSIDE INSTRUCTION
Motion to authorize Education Inc. to provide bedside instruction for student 2346140937 at the hourly rate of \$45.50, five hours per week.
- c. ADDITIONAL COST FOR KATZENBACH STUDENT
Motion authorizing overnight stay for Katzenbach student to participate in school sports program at an increased cost of \$62.94 per diem for a maximum of 39 nights.
- d. APPROVAL OF FINAL BUDGET FOR 2008-2009
BE IT RESOLVED that the South Bound Brook Borough Board of Education adopts the 2008-2009 Budget as follows:

General Current Expense	\$8,704,589
Special Revenue Fund	156,365
Debt Service:	373,820
For a Total of	\$9,234,774

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this budget includes no waiver requests.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to acknowledge that the 2008-2009 budget as described above results in a general fund tax levy of \$5,045,171 and a debt fund tax levy of \$373,820; representing a total tax levy of \$5,418,991.

- e. CORRESPONDENCE "b" REQUEST FOR PERMISSION FOR CHILD TO REMAIN IN THE SOUTH BOUND BROOK SCHOOL DISTRICT THROUGH THE END OF THE SCHOOL YEAR
Motion to approve request received from Krystine Beltz to allow her child to remain in the South Bound Brook school district through the end of the school year (May and June 2008). Parents are responsible for the transportation to and from school. Motion to waive tuition for the two months.
- f. APPROVAL OF LEAVE OF ABSENCE FOR MRS. QUINLAN
Motion presented, as recommended by the superintendent, that the board approve a leave of absence, due to illness, for Mrs. Quinlan beginning March 31, 2008 through June 30, 2008.
- g. APPROVAL OF SUBSTITUTE NURSE FOR THE 2007-2008 SCHOOL YEAR
Motion to approve the following substitute nurse from March 19, 2008 through June 30, 2008:

Karen vanRavenswaay

- h. CONTRACT WITH INTERIM HEALTHCARE FOR SUPPLEMENTAL (NURSE) STAFFING

Motion to approve contract with Interim Healthcare for provision of substitute nursing at an hourly cost of \$50.00 (RN) or \$45.00 (LPN) for the remainder of the 2007-2008 school year.

- i. **CONTRACT WITH NJ COALITION FOR INCLUSIVE EDUCATION**
Motion to approve contract with NJ Coalition for Inclusive Education for behavior support. Contract includes 2.5 hours of on-site support at \$150/hour plus 3 hours of off-site (report compilation) at \$50 per hour, or a total of \$525.00.

Motion to approve above Action Items, a through i.

MOTION: Mrs. Santora SECOND: Mrs. Esposito ROLL CALL
VOTE: 5-0

COMMITTEE REPORTS

BOUND BROOK: Mr. Allen reported that their public hearing was tonight and has no tax levy increase.

OLD BUSINESS

Cup Stacking: Mrs. Lih-Thiessen questioned who purchased the trophies and awards. Mrs. Leonhardt will investigate.

NEW BUSINESS

Board self-evaluation – Mrs. Leonhardt requested that the board members complete their 07-08 self evaluation by April 24.

CSA Evaluation – Mrs. Santora requested that the board members get their completed CSA evaluations to her by April 15. Mr. Allen shared the process suggested by NJSBA. The board scheduled a closed session meeting for Monday, April 21st, at Mrs. Esposito's at 7:30 p.m. Notice to the newspaper will be provided.

RECOGNITION OF PUBLIC

SCSBA Student Recognition – Mrs. Lih-Thiessen complimented all involved with the SCSBA Student Recognition Program.

Bound Brook – Mrs. Lih-Thiessen reported on the robotics team's success in Orlando.

Terry Warrelman complimented the high school on their play.

ADJOURNMENT

Business concluded, motion presented to adjourn the meeting.

MOTION: Mrs. Santora SECOND: Mrs. Lih-Thiessen VOTE: 5-0

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Leonhardt
Business Administrator/Board Secretary